



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division  
4<sup>th</sup> Brigade Special Troops Battalion  
Fort Carson, CO 80913



Welcome! It is our pleasure to welcome you and your family to the 4th Brigade Special Troops Battalion (BSTB), 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT), 4th Infantry Division. We are located on Fort Carson, the Mountain Post and "the best hometown in the Army!" We are located in Colorado Springs, Colorado, about an hour south of Denver near the base of Pikes Peak.

The 4<sup>th</sup> BSTB, "Task Force Gryphon," is comprised of a Headquarters Company, a Combat Engineer Company, Military Intelligence Company and a Signal Company. Our mission is to deploy and provide communications, Intelligence, and mobility and security support to enable the 4 BCT to accomplish assigned objectives and missions in the defense of our nation.

The Gryphon Battalion is an extremely proud and respected organization. The battalion was activated in 2005 as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Troops Battalion, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division. After serving in Iraq, the unit redeployed to Fort Carson where it was given its current designation as the 4<sup>th</sup> BSTB. In 2009 the battalion, along with the 4<sup>th</sup> IBCT, deployed to Afghanistan where it was awarded a Meritorious Unit Citation for its outstanding service in the defense of our great nation. In its short history, the unit has superbly lived up to its motto, "Strong and True" and will continue to do so with fine Soldiers, excellent leadership and strong Families.

You should soon receive some correspondence from the battalion's Human Resource Sergeant and your designated unit sponsor. The Human Resource Sergeant may be reached at work by calling 719-526-3283. She will be able to answer any questions that you might have about the unit and will be able to assist with any special issues.

Upon arrival to Fort Carson you should report to the Welcome Center located at 4951 Ellis Street, Building 1218, Room 136, Fort Carson, CO 80913. In-processing at Fort Carson takes about 5 days, after which you will be assigned to the appropriate company in the 4<sup>th</sup> BSTB.

Again, welcome to the battalion. We look forward to meeting you and are excited that you will be joining the Gryphon Family. We are positive that you will enjoy your time with the Gryphons and invite you to visit the Fort Carson newcomers link below.

<http://www.carson.army.mil/Newcomers/Visitors.html>

"Strong and True!"

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JAMES W. CRAFT III  
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